



KUROI-KUN
AND I



WERE BORN
3 DAYS APART
IN THE SAME
MATERNITY
WARD.

Chapter 2



AND
MY MOTHER HIT
IT OFF WITH HER
WITHOUT REALLY
WORRYING ABOUT
THAT SORT OF
THING.



KUROI-KUN'S
MOTHER DIDN'T
HIDE THAT SHE
WAS FROM
A YAKUZA
HOUSEHOLD,

BY THE
TIME WE WERE IN
KINDERGARTEN,
THE GROUP HAD
BLENDED INTO
THE COMMUNITY.



THE KUROI
FAMILY WAS
STRAIGHT-
FORWARD WITH
THE PEOPLE
AROUND THEM
AND KEPT THEM
AT A DISTANCE.

GIVEN THE
CIRCUMSTAN-
CES OF THEIR
OCCUPATION,

Touma!

Ken-chan!





THE FIRST
TIME I FELT
SOMETHING
WAS OUT OF
PLACE WAS IN
4TH GRADE.



GRADUALLY
BEGAN TO
BEHAVE LIKE
AN ADULT.

KUROI-KUN,
WHO WAS
ALWAYS SO
ENERGETIC,

WAVE
WAVE

So I'm
gonna head
home first,
okay?

I have
cram
school
today,

AT THAT TIME,
WE WERE IN DIF-
FERENT CLASSES,
SO WE WERE ONLY
TOGETHER TO AND
FROM SCHOOL.

I RECALL
FEELING LIKE
I HAD BEEN
LEFT BEHIND.

AS THE
ATMOSPHERE
AROUND HIM
CHANGED,

Ken-chan?

Ken-chan,
we're in the
same class!!

our names
are right after
one another's.

HE ALWAYS
LOOKED
LIKE HE WAS
HAVING FUN.

THE
KUROI-KUN
I KNEW WAS
CHEERFUL
AND LIVELY,
THE LEADER
OF THE PACK.

5th
Grade
Class
List

5年1組	
男子	女子
1 有松 俊	1 石橋 聖
2 井上 太一	2 宇野 理
3 加藤 大介	3 三川 和
4 Kuroi Kengo	4 木村 慧
5 Shirakaba Tsum	

SILE.....NCE

AS A CENTRAL
PART OF THE
CLASS...

EH...?

Whisper

Whisper

So Kengou's
really in the
same class.

I wonder if
Mama'll say
something.

Whisper

Isn't it fine
so long as
you don't
get close?

Whisper





Are you
okay?

...Ken-
chan!

What
are you
saying?



GOING
ON?

WHAT
IS



SEEING
KUROI-KUN
AND OUR
CLASSMATES

This is
nothing.



So he's
alright.

I FINALLY
UNDERSTOOD
THE REASON
WHY I'D FELT
LEFT BEHIND.

Ken-chan is
so strong!

I see...

Ken-
chan,

we're not
in the same
group for our
field trip.

AND THAT
MADE HIM LOOK
ALL THE MORE
LIKE AN ADULT
COMPARED TO
OUR CLASS-
MATES.

HE PRE-
FERRED TO
BE ALONE,

WE WERE IN
SIXTH GRADE
WHEN I FIRST
HEARD THAT.

THE
"SON OF
YAKUZA."

Is there
anyone you
get along
with?

That's
right.

I WAS
WORRIED
ABOUT
HIM.

HE WAS A LONE
WOLF UNLIKE
EVERYONE ELSE,
AND THAT MADE
HIM EVEN
COOLER.

...I'll be fine
by myself.



I heard he's even killed someone.

KEN-CHAN IS THE SON OF YAKUZA,

BUT HE'S KIND, AND THINKS ABOUT HIS FRIENDS.

UNLIKE EVERYONE ELSE, EVEN IF HE'S ALONE...

THERE'S NO WAY THAT'S TRUE.





HE STOOD IN
THE CORNER
OF THE DARK
HALLWAY,

SILENTLY
CRYING BY
HIMSELF.



HE'S
FINE.









It's just an undesirable but inseparable relationship.

IN FACT,
BY THEN...



Besides,
you're
important
to me.

I KNEW
HOW I FELT
ABOUT HIM.

BUT THE
REASON I
DIDN'T TELL
HIM HOW
I FELT



WAS BECAUSE
KUROI-KUN
WOULD RATHER
NOT HAVE ANY-
ONE CLOSE TO
HIM,

THAN LET
THEM GET
INVOLVED IN
HIS FAMILY'S
AFFAIRS.

EVEN I,

WOULD HAVE
BEEN HATED
IF I CROSSED
THE LINE.





Kengou ...



...And a girl.



Shirakaba,
the bell's gonna ring.

Aah...
Right.



Does.
She.
Know?



Probably.



She's just a
classmate.







Pull it together.

Come on!

So boo-ooring.

Why can't I be here too~!?



Amph



Airi!

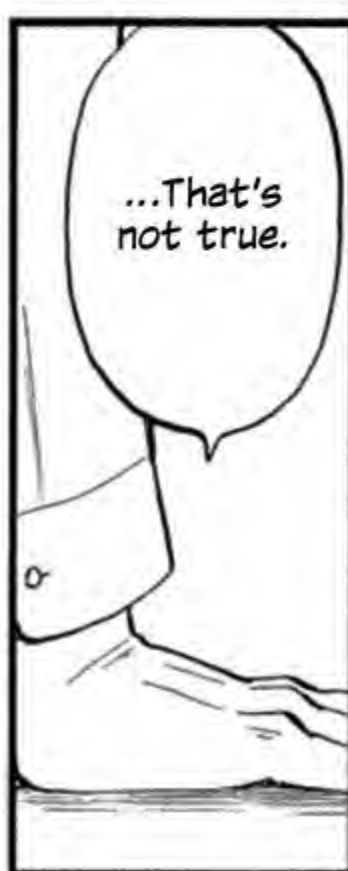
It's not that big of a deal.

Because he's the son of yakuza?

Who knows what'll happen if Kuroi snaps.



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...That's not true.



HA


She's like that even in class.

I'm glad you can read the atmosphere.





You can
punch me if
you hate it,
but will you
listen?



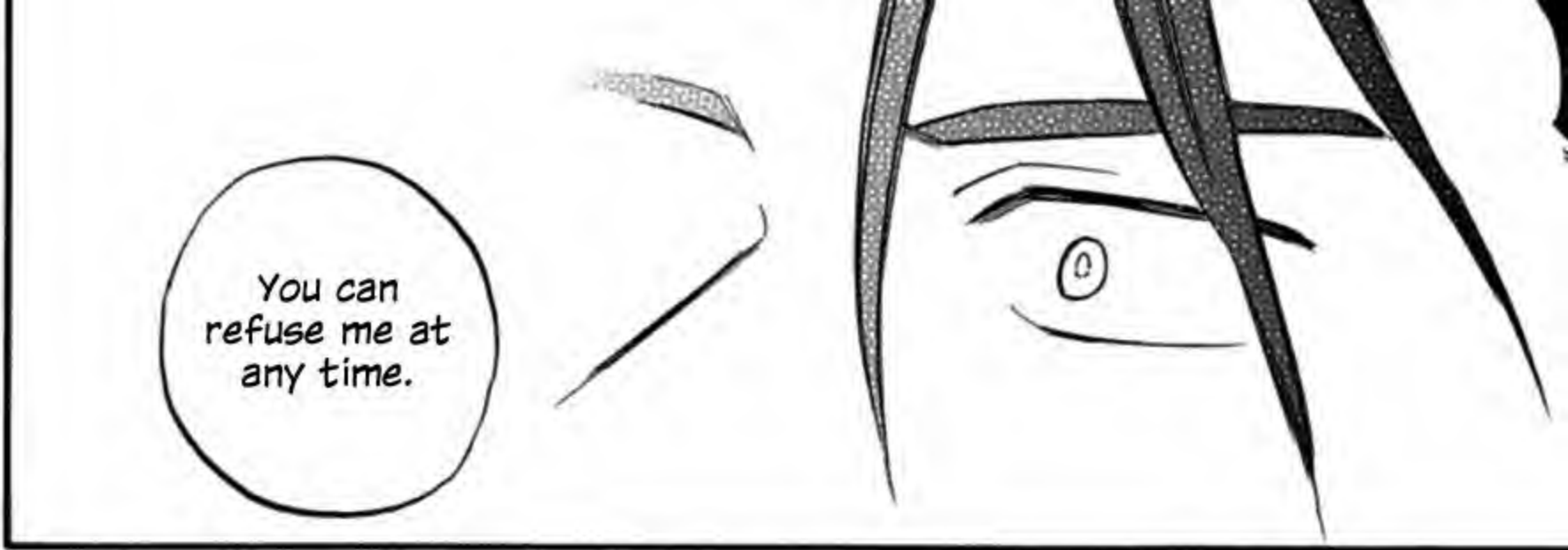
How
funny.

Haha!
You look like
you've been
tricked by
a fox.




That's
why I want
to be by
your side.

I like you.


A close-up of a character's face, showing their eye and part of their hair. A speech bubble is positioned to the left of the face.

You can
refuse me at
any time.

A character with long, light-colored hair and a slight smile, looking towards the right. A speech bubble is to their right.

But if
you do,

I can
no longer be
your friend.

Two characters are shown in a close embrace. The character on the right is looking towards the left. A speech bubble is on the left side of the frame.

Or will you
accept my
feelings as
a friend?

A hand is shown reaching out and touching a chain-link fence. A speech bubble is to the right of the hand.

Will
you lose
your only
friend,

EVEN I
THINK I WAS
UNFAIR.

Pick,
right now.



NOT ONLY WAS
I USING THE FACT
THAT KUROI-KUN
TREASURED ME AS
HIS IMPORTANT
CHILDHOOD FRIEND,



I'D ALSO
PRESENTED
HIM WITH AN
ULTIMATUM.

He's nothing but
a nice guy wearing
the guise of the
"son of yakuza..."



So you
definitely
won't
reject me.

I'VE HAD
ENOUGH...!



Hic!



I DON'T
NEED
FRIENDS.



I'LL BE FINE
IF YOU'RE
BY MY SIDE,
TOUMA.





THRUST!

...!



AH!

slip!

slip!

CREAK

CREAK

!



CREAK

CREAK

CREAK

I get that
the national
mock exams
are finally
over

Shit!

!

and
that the
adrenaline
is...



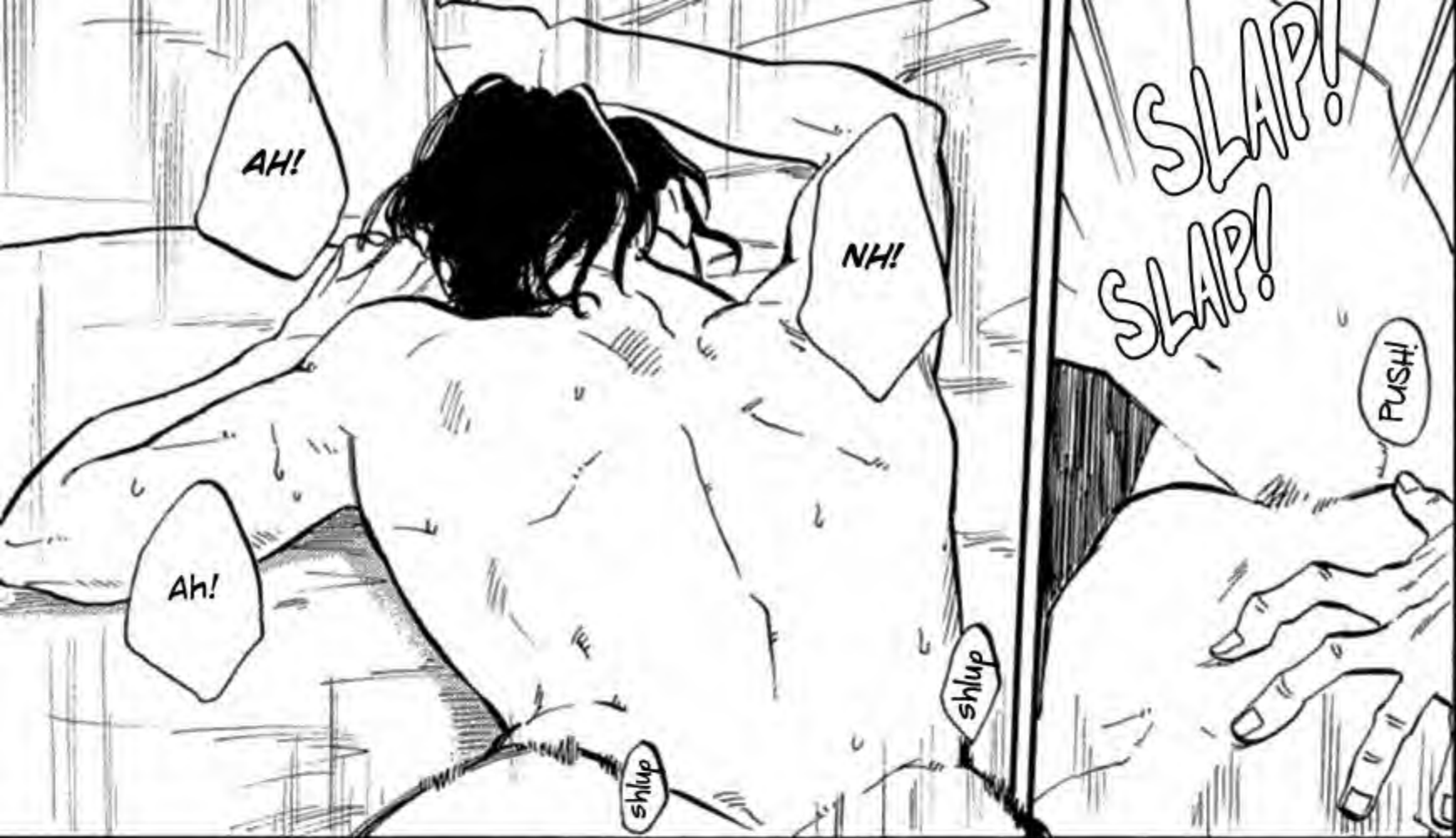
You're
so rough!



To...
ma!

You-!

Today
...



I want to
exchange
sake.



IT HAD
BEEN JUST
OVER A YEAR
SINCE THEN.

What'd
you just
say?



MY
ONE-SIDED
PASSION,

WHILE HE
ACCEPTED

WE CONTINUED
OUR PHYSICAL
RELATIONSHIP.

MY DESIRE
FOR HIM GRA-
DUALY GREW
STRONGER.



Won't
do.

That's
the one thing
I absolutely



I want to
become your
brother.

IF WE
COULDN'T
BE LOVERS,
THEN...



I refuse.

Impossible.



I want a
binding promise
that I can stay
by your side.



It's not.

Isn't it fine
to continue
as we are?





I'LL FORCE MY
WAY THROUGH
TO STAND
BESIDE YOU.



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